MONTHLY GROSS INCOME/TEST YOUR INCOME

Gross and Net Income Standards, as set by the federal government, are updated every October:

	Gross monthly income Net monthly incom			
Household size	(130 % of poverty)	(100 % of poverty)		
1	\$1,009	\$ 776		
2	\$1,354	\$1,041		
3	\$1,698	\$1,306		
4	\$2,043	\$1,571		
5	\$2,387	\$1,836		
6	\$2,732	\$2,101		
7	\$3,076	\$2,366		
8	\$3,421	\$2,631		
9	\$3,766	\$2,896		
10	\$4,111	\$3,161		
Each additional member	+\$ 345	+\$ 265		

The maximum allotment levels for the continental United States, in effect from October 1, 2004 to September 30, 2005, are:

Household size	Maximum allotment level			
1	\$149			
2	\$274			
3	\$393			
4	\$499			
5	\$592			
6	\$711			
7	\$786			
8	\$898			
9	\$1,010			
10	\$1,122			
Each additional member	+\$ 112			

CONVERTING INCOME TO MONTHLY AMOUNTS

Since need determination and level of benefit calculation/payment are made on a monthly basis, income and expenses available to a household must be stated in monthly amounts. The following methods are used in determining your monthly income:

Weekly Income

If you are paid weekly, multiply weekly income by 4.3 to determine monthly income.

Bi-Weekly Income

If you are paid bi-weekly, multiply amount received each two weeks by 2.15 to determine monthly income.

Semi-Monthly Income

If you are paid semi-monthly, add the two amounts received to determine monthly income.

Monthly Income

When wages are paid on a regular monthly basis, verified monthly wage/salary will be used.

Annual Income

When you receive wages/salary paid on an annual basis, divide by 12 to determine monthly income.

FOOD STAMP BUDGET

			Month/Year		10 / 04		
1.	Total Earned Income		1398.00	3.	Total Gross Income	_	1398.00
2.	Total Unearned Income	+	0	4.	Earned Income Deduction		279.60
	Farm Loss	-	0	5.	Standard Deduction		134.00
3.	Total Gross Income	=	1398.00	6.	Excess Medical Expense		0
	Total Medical Costs:		0	7.	Dependent Care Deduction		175.00
	Medical Deduction	-	35.00	8.	Child Support Payment		0
6.	Excess Medical Expense	=	0	9.	Adjusted Income	= _	809.40
	Shelter Cost:		650.00	11.	Shelter Deduction		388.00
	Actual Utilities or Std.	+	262.00	12.	Net Adjusted Income	= _	421.40
	Shelter/Utility Costs	=	912.00				
10.	50 % of Adjusted Income	-	404.70				
11.	Excess Shelter/Util Cost	=	507.30		Max Net Monthly Inc:	_	1306.00
	Household Size:		3		Thrifty Food Plan:	_	393.00
				13.	30% of Net Adjusted Inc.		126.42
					Allotment Amount	= _	266.00